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**MEMORANDUM FOR: The Honorable Melvin R. Laird  
The Secretary of Defense**

**SUBJECT : Vietnamese Communist Force Levels**

1. The attached memorandum entitled, "Enemy Force Levels, Personnel Infiltration and Unit Redeployments" was prepared in response to your request passed to Mr. Carver via Mr. Constant of ISA.

2. As you requested, this memorandum was prepared by CIA. We are sending copies to Mr. Packard, Lt. General Bennett and Major General Karhohs.

**Richard Helms  
Director**

**Attachment**

**cc: Mr. Packard (Copy No. 2)**

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Lt. General Donald V. Bennett  
Director, DIA

Per our conversation last week, attached is a copy of the memorandum on enemy force levels that we prepared at Secretary Laird's request. As I explained when we discussed this matter, in levying this request Mr. Constant of ISA said that DIA was also being tasked for a similar memorandum but the Secretary did not want a coordinated paper.

George A. Carver, Jr.  
Special Assistant for Vietnamese Affairs

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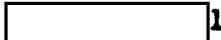
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Major General Fred E. Karhohs  
Director, Vietnam Task Force

Per our conversation on the River Entrance steps last week, attached is a copy of a memorandum we sent to Secretary Laird to comply with his request passed to me by Tom Constant. Copies have also been sent to Mr. Packard and General Bennett.

George A. Carver, Jr.  
Special Assistant for Vietnamese Affairs

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